

Who Cares? Planning, Protecting and Paying for the future of Caregiving in California

A Joint Hearing of the Assembly Committees on
Aging and Long-Term Care and **Human Services**
Assemblymembers Yamada and Beall, Jr.
Co-Chairs

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1:30 p.m. State Capitol, Room 126

I Overview of California's Caregivers and Systems that Support Them

- **Kathy Kelly** – Executive Director, Family Caregiver Alliance
Caregiving in California.
- **Lisa R. Shugarman, Ph.D.**, Director of Policy for The SCAN Foundation. State
Report Card on Long-Term Supports and Services for Older Adults, People with
Physical Disabilities and Family Caregivers.

II Provider Issues: Formal and Informal caregiving and their supports.

- **Ken Erman**, RN, CEO, Rx Staffing and Home Care
Issues impacting the homecare industry.
- **MSSP: Richard Strange**, MSSP Supervisor/Site Director, Solano-Napa Agency
On Aging of Solano-Napa Agency On Aging
Coordinating complex care arrangements with informal and other caregivers.
- **Susanne Rossi**, Site Director, Mountain Caregiver Resource Center, CSU Chico
- **Ross Burns**, LCSW, Mental Health Specialist/Lead Caregiver Support
Coordinator, Veterans Administration, Region XXI.
The VA caregiver support system.

III *Capacity:* Developing the infrastructure to support California's emerging demographics.

- **Joseph Cobery**, Director, Passages (Area 3 Agency on Aging)
Rural realities of caregiving.
- **Micheal Pope** – Executive Director, East Bay Alzheimer's Services
Home and Community based solutions for working families.
- **Donna L. Yee, Ph.D.**, Chief Executive Officer, Asian Community Center:
Increasing the capacity in the community to support family caregivers.
- **Paul Heyn**—Family Caregiver, former consumer of ADHC services.

IV *Balance:* Emerging prevalence of caregiving roles and its impact on lives.

- **Luther Findley**, Caregiver.
- **Jenya Cassidy**, California Policy Director, Labor Project for Working Families
Promoting a supportive work environment for working caregivers.
- **Sharon Brown**, Caregiver/Volunteer, Alzheimer's Association.
- **Paula Driver Shimada**, PHR, Human Resources Analyst, UC Davis
The effects of caregiving on a skilled and valued workforce: a human resources perspective.

V *Public Testimony*